

**CULMSTOCK**  
**RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.**

**MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH'S  
ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1920.**

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honour to submit herewith (omitting the usual permanent statistics) my annual report for 1920.

*Deaths.*—The total number for the year was 40, giving a rate of 10.7 per 1,000 (this includes eight inward transfers). The rate for 1919 was 15.8. The rate for England and Wales was 12.4. The infantile mortality also shows a decrease on last year's rate, being 1.1 as against 1.8. The ages at which death occurred are tabulated thus: Under 1, 1; 15 to 20, 1; 20 to 25, 2; 25 to 30, 2; 30 to 40, 2; 40 to 50, 8; 50 to 60, 2; 60 to 70, 11; 70 to 80, 4; 80 to 90, 5; over 90, 2.

The causes of death: Pulmonary tuberculosis, 3; other forms of tuberculosis, 1; malignant disease, 1; meningitis, 1; organic heart disease, 9; bronchitis, 1; pneumonia, 1; nephritis, 1; congenital debility, 2; violence (not suicide), 3; suicide, 1; other defined diseases, 17. Deaths under one year, 3.

*Births.*—The total number was 72 (33 males, 39, females). This gives a birth-rate of 26.7 per 1,000, which shows a very marked rise compared with the rate for 1919, which was 15.2. The rate for England and Wales was 25.4.

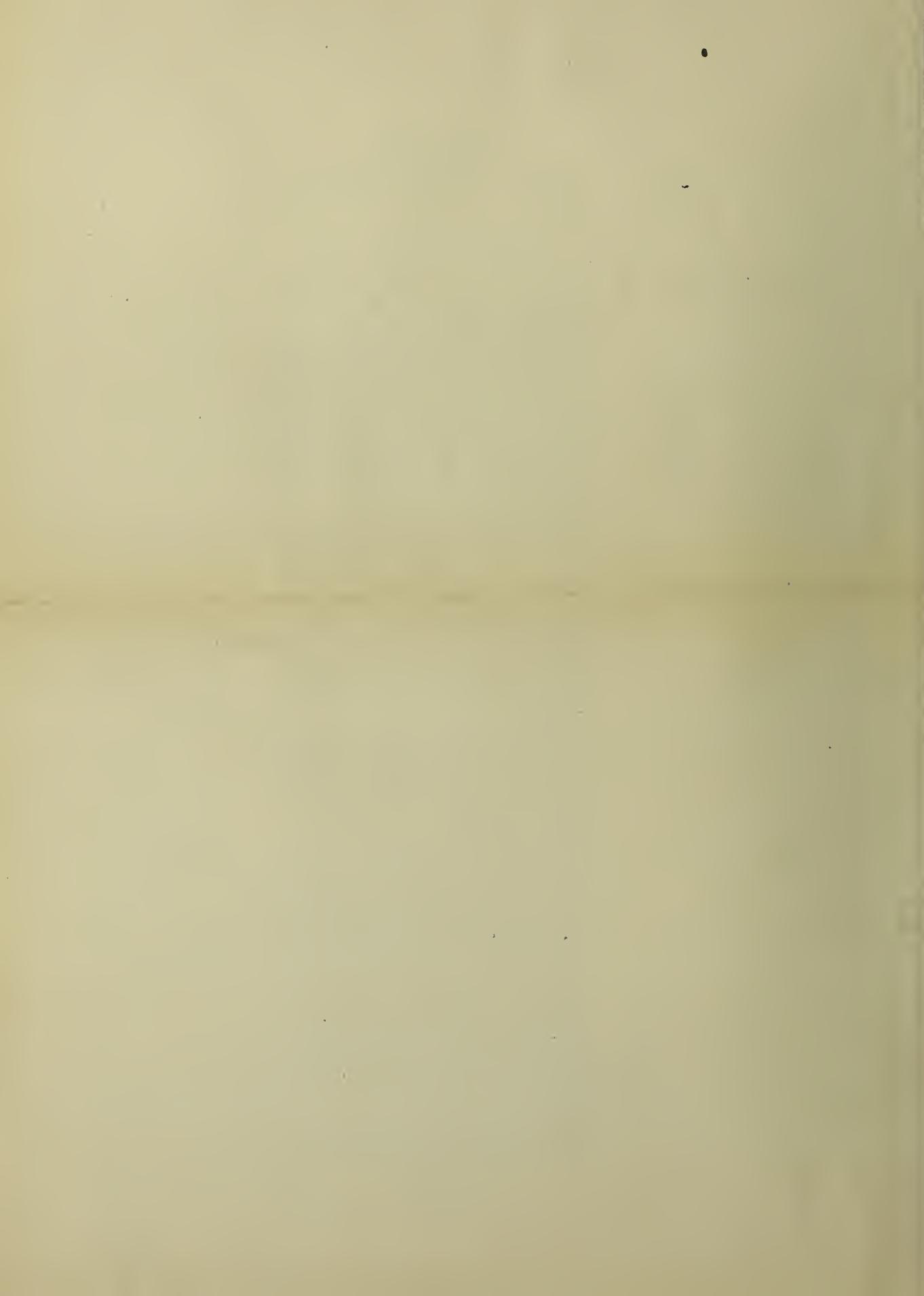
*Notifiable Diseases.*—There were none registered for the months of January, August and December. Those occurring in other months were: Whooping cough, 5; mumps, 1; chicken pox, 1; scarlet fever, 4; pneumonia, 1; pulmonary tuberculosis, 6; articular tuberculosis, 1; encephalitis, 1; cerebro-spinal fever, 1.

*Water Supply.*—In November a number of wells were inspected and reported on. These give a general idea of the conditions throughout the district and seem to show that a general overhauling of all wells is indicated. It is encouraging, however, to note that samples from the two new wells at Culmstock and Hemyock respectively appear to be quite above suspicion.

Appended hereto is Form 572 relative to Factories and Workshops.

The lower death-rate, lower infantile mortality, considerably higher birth-rate, as also the absence of any serious epidemic during the year, are all very satisfactory to note.—I have the honour to be, sirs, your obedient servant, S. F. HUTH, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., District M.O.H.

Culmstock, March 31st, 1921.



This Table is enclosed, by request of the Secretary of State, for the guidance and convenience of Medical Officers of Health in preparing that part of their Annual Report which relates to factories, workshops, workplaces and home work. It is not intended to supersede the fuller statement which is desirable in the text of the Report, but to provide for uniformity in the presentation of such particulars as lend themselves to statistical treatment.

Further copies can be supplied on application to the Chief Inspector of Factories, Home Office, London, S.W.1.

## Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1920,

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on the administration of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, in connection with  
**FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS, WORKPLACES AND HOMEWORK.**

### 1.—INSPECTION OF FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

INCLUDING INSPECTIONS MADE BY SANITARY INSPECTORS OR INSPECTORS OF NUISANCES.

Premises. (1)	Number of		
	Inspections. (2)	Written Notices. (3)	Prosecutions. (4)
Factories ... (Including Factory Laundries)	4	✓	✓
Workshops ... (Including Workshop Laundries)	1		
Workplaces ... (Other than Outworkers' premises included in Part 3 of this Report)	✓		
Total ...	5	✓	✓

### 2.—DEFECTS FOUND IN FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

Particulars. (1)	Number of Defects.			Number of Prosecutions. (5)
	Found. (2)	Remedied. (3)	Referred to H.M. Inspector. (4)	
<i>Nuisances under the Public Health Acts :—*</i>				
Want of cleanliness	...	...	...	
Want of ventilation	...	...	...	
Overcrowding	...	...	...	
Want of drainage of floors	...	...	...	
Other nuisances	...	...	...	
Sanitary accommodation	insufficient ... unsuitable or defective ... not separate for sexes ...	...	...	
<i>Offences under the Factory and Workshop Acts :—</i>				
Illegal occupation of underground bakehouse (s. 101)	...	...	...	
Breach of special sanitary requirements for bakehouses (ss. 97 to 100)	...	...	...	
Other offences	...	...	...	
(Excluding offences relating to outwork which are included in Part 3 of this Report)				
Total...	...	...	...	

\* Including those specified in sections 2, 3, 7 and 8 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, as remediable under the Public Health Acts.

## NATURE OF WORK.\*

OUTWORKERS' LI

Lists received from Employers.

(1)	Lists received from Employers.			
	Sending twice in the year.		Sending once in the year.	
	Lists. †	Outworkers. †	Lists.	Outw
(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Wearing Apparel— making, &c. <i>gloves</i> ...	1	2	+	20
cleaning and washing ...	...	...	...	...
Household linen ...	...	...	...	...
Lace, lace curtains and nets ...	...	...	...	...
Curtains and furniture hangings ...	...	...	...	...
Furniture and upholstery ...	...	...	...	...
Electro-plate ...	...	...	...	...
File making ...	...	...	...	...
Brass and brass articles ...	...	...	...	...
Fur pulling ...	...	...	...	...
Cables and chains ...	...	...	...	...
Anchors and Grapnels ...	...	...	...	...
Cart gear ...	...	...	...	...
Locks, latches and keys ...	...	...	...	...
Umbrellas, &c. ...	...	...	...	...
Artificial flowers ...	...	...	...	...
Nets, other than wire nets ...	...	...	...	...
Tents ...	...	...	...	...
Sacks ...	...	...	...	...
Racquet and tennis balls ...	...	...	...	...
Paper, etc., boxes, paper bags ...	...	...	...	...
Brush making ...	...	...	...	...
Pea picking ...	...	...	...	...
Feather sorting ...	...	...	...	...
Carding, &c., of buttons, &c. ...	...	...	...	...
Stuffed toys ...	...	...	...	...
Basket making ...	...	...	...	...
Chocolates and sweetmeats ...	...	...	...	...
Cosaques, Christmas crackers, Christmas stockings, &c. ...	...	...	...	...
Textile weaving ...	...	...	...	...
	TOTAL ...	1	2	1

\* If an occupier gives out work of more than one of the classes specified in column 1, and subdivides his list in such a way as to distinguish the principal class *only*, but the outworkers should be assigned in columns 3 and 4 (or 6 and 7) into their respective classes.† The figures required in columns 2, 3 and 4 are the *total* number of the lists received from those employers who can be subdivided into two classes. Column 2 must necessarily be *even* numbers, as there will be two lists for each employer—in some previous returns odd numbers were given, since in the February and August lists of the same employer the same outworker's name will appear twice.

the number of workers in each class of work, the list should be included among those in column 2 (or 5 as the case may be) and a note should be added to show that this has been done.

the statutory duty of sending two lists each year and of the entries of names of outworkers in those lists. The entries inserted. The figures in columns 3 and 4 will usually be (approximately) double of the number of individual outworkers

## 4.—REGISTERED WORKSHOPS.

Workshops on the Register (s. 131) at the end of the year.

(1)

Number.

(2)

Important classes of workshops, such as workshop-bakehouses may be enumerated here.

Total number of Workshops on Register ... ...

## 5.—OTHER MATTERS.

Class.

(1)

Number.

(2)

Matters notified to H.M. Inspector of Factories:—

Failure to affix Abstract of the Factory and Workshop Acts (s. 133, 1901) ... ... ...

Action taken in matters referred by H.M. Inspector  
as remediable under the Public Health Acts, but not  
under the Factory and Workshop Acts (s. 5, 1901)

Notified by H.M. Inspector ... ... ...

Reports (of action taken) sent to H.M. Inspector...

Other ... ... ...

Underground Bakehouses (s. 101) in use at the end of the year ... ...

(Signature)

P. F. D. Clark

Medical Officer of Health.

Date

March 31<sup>st</sup> 1921

NOTE.—The Factory and Workshop Act, 1901 (s. 132), requires the Medical Officer of Health in his Annual Report to the District Council to report specifically on the administration of that Act in workshops and workplaces, and to send a copy of his Annual Report, or so much of it as deals with this subject, to the Secretary of State (Home Office). If the Annual Report is presented otherwise than in print, it is unnecessary to include in the copy sent to the Home Office the portions which do not relate to factories, workshops, workplaces or homework. The duties of Local Authorities and the Medical Officer of Health under the Act of 1901 are detailed in the Home Office Memorandum of March, 1912.